

Seaholm Band Booster Meeting
September 18, 2013
Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Beth O'Rourke, Band Booster President.

1. Call to Order, Welcome and President's Report
 - a. Beth welcomed everyone to the meeting.
 - b. A President and Vice President were elected. Beth O'Rourke will serve as President for this school year and Karen Mucha will serve as President next year (2014-2015,) per the Band Booster By-Laws. Julie Willet made a motion to elect the new officers and Carol Lamb and Courteney Gettel seconded the motion.
 - c. Beth commented that Band Camp was awesome, and post band camp is still in progress. All the scheduling problems have been resolved.
 - d. Beth brought to the attention of the group that several key roles in the Booster Organization still need to be filled. The first is a Publicity Chairperson, someone to coordinate information to the district and the second is a Co-Chairperson for the Dinner Dance and Auction.
2. No changes were made of the May 7, 2013 minutes. They are posted online.
3. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Marilyn Dadian reported 100% of her focus right now will be on uniforms.
 - b. She will prepare a running budget for every Booster Meeting.
 - c. Beth pointed out that, in line with a plan to replace aging instruments, Tim asked the district last spring for a new drum line. The Boosters were supposed to contribute, but the district covered the whole expense. We won't be asking for anything more from the district this year. Included in the 2013-14 budget is the purchase of a new Bari Sax for \$4K. We will be able to retire one of the older instruments, when the new one arrives.
 - d. A question was also raised about gift expenditures.
 - e. Beth asked for a motion to approve, Courteney made a motion and was seconded by Marilyn. Budget was approved.
4. Director's Report – Tim Cibor gave a brief review and update. Highlights are noted below.
 - a. First and for most we, the Seaholm Band Boosters, always want to be on the up and up regarding our expenditures.
 - b. The band has had a great start to the school year! He thanked everyone for their patience on scheduling.
 - c. Mr. Michael Burkett has filled the position as Assistant Band Director. There were over 150 applicants for the job and Michael hails from MSU.
 - d. There is no game next week, but there is a home game on September 27th and the Groves Invitational is on the 28th. Hoping for great parental participation as this is a fundraiser for Groves.

- e. Band Room copier is broken, this is a cost we did not anticipate. Repair or replace? If anyone has connections or ideas, please contact Tim or Beth.
 - f. Jazz Band Auditions will take place in October. The AM Jazz Band practices once per week before school and the PM Jazz Band practices after school once per week.
 - g. Tim mentioned that he loves to write Letters of Recommendation for students!
 - h. There will be no more before school rehearsals.
 - i. If the Football Team makes the playoffs, we will be there.
 - j. Auditions for the school musical will take place in November. This is considered an extra-curricular activity.
5. Committee Reports
- a. Uniforms (Kathy Umbarger and Pam Miller)
--no report from Kathy, she was not present at the meeting until later. As a reminder, please bring back all the Marchers as soon as possible. September 27th, the kids will debut in their full dress uniforms because the group photos will be taken that day.
 - b. Merchandise (Karen Mucha)
--Not a fundraiser. We have a little inventory left from last year; it will be priced to sell soon. We are staying away from buying in bulk. The Varsity Shop was pleased with the amount that we sold. Amy Geller did the design, and we can try it again next year.
 - c. Fundraising (Carol O'Brien)
-- The Olga's fundraiser will start back up in October, hoping to do Thursdays because of band rehearsals. The Entertainment Book Sale is in full swing until the first week in October. Other possibilities, Dunkin Donuts and other restaurants, possible Red Wings performance.
 - d. Dinner Dance (Laura Fogelman)
--Laura and Courteney Gettel will chair the event again this year, with Courteney overseeing the Silent Auction and Raffle. Laura is having shoulder surgery in October and really needs someone to help her personally with the event. Hoping a new person will take over as chairperson next year.
--We are starting collections of donations; this is the 15th anniversary of the event. Courteney has a list of merchants for solicitation.
--The event will take place on March 28th at the Marriot Centerpoint. Food is good and we don't sell alcohol.
 - e. Senior Recognition (Carol Smith Sandy)
-- Last football game of the season, pre-game recognition, we are all set to go.
-- Mary Grace Elliot will be coordinating.
6. New Business
- Kim Ruiz discussed Student Savings Accounts. These accounts are set up and the monies are held by the Band Booster Treasurer in which the students can fundraise and accumulate money for band expenses and band

sponsored trips. Money cannot be withdrawn, and if not used will be passed down to a sibling or returned to the Band Boosters. A check request form is being formulated by Kim and Marilyn and will need to be signed off by Tim for the funds to be dispersed.

--Karen Mucha discussed the Seaholm Bands 501(c)3. We have a system of check and balances and a Board of Directors to include the President and Treasurer of the Boosters also serving in a position on the Board of Directors of Seaholm Bands. Karen Mucha drafted a new by-law to make sure the President and Treasurer could be on both boards.

a. Seaholm Bands 501c3 (Julie Willet)

-- The Board of Directors of Seaholm Bands will include the following individuals: Janet Ames, Beth O'Rourke, Marilyn Dadian, Karen Mucha, Carol O'Brien and Julie Willet.

-- Corporation was set up specifically for fundraising, and it was extremely helpful last year for the Dinner Dance/Silent Auction.

--Accounts have also been set up at Meijer and soon to be, Kroger so that money can be raised for the Bands for every dollar spent at those two stores. You must register your card to participate.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Carol O'Brien

Next booster meeting will be Wednesday, November, 13, 2013 at 6:30 pm in the Band Room

Special Thank You to:

Janet Ames for organizing an outstanding Band Camp, Pam Miller and Kathy Umbarger and the volunteer team for fitting all of our student uniforms, Susan and Patrick Schulte and the water team for keeping our kids hydrated at the football games, Adam Levitsky for being the voice of the Seaholm Marching Band, Meli Zikakis for keeping us all informed through email communications, and Loran Brooks for making our website so up-to-date and informative!